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14 August 1952

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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PROGRESS REPORT

PROJECTS COMPLETED

1. NIE-55/1: Communist Capabilities and Probable Courses of Action in Korea, published 30 July 1952.
2. NIE-67: Probable Developments in Venezuela, published 31 July 1952.
3. Statement on Intelligence Deficiencies on NIE-60: "Civil Defense in the USSR" (IAC-M-79, D-53, D-53/1, D-53/2)

On 14 August 1952 the IAC approved the report of the post-mortem meeting held by IAC representatives. CIA/ORR was designated as the focal point.

4. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Survey Existing Arrangements Relating to Production of Scientific and Technical Intelligence (IAC-M-79)

On 14 August 1952 the IAC approved this report. It was requested that the IAC members transmit the names of regular and alternate members of the Scientific Estimates Committee to the DCI, Attention: Secretary, IAC.

5. Terms of Reference of the Intelligence Working Group for Support of the Economic Defense Advisory Committee (IAC-M-79)

Statements from State and G-2 were noted at the IAC meeting of 14 August.

6. Annual Report of the Economic Intelligence Committee (IAC-M-79)

On 14 August 1952 the IAC members noted this report.

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PROJECTS IN PROCESS

A. National Intelligence Estimates

7. NIE-35/2: Probable Developments in Indochina

Priority: High*

Status: IAC agreed to schedule this estimate on 11 June. Terms of reference were approved by the IAC representatives on 20 June. Contributions have been received. A draft is due to the Board on 15 August.

8. NIE-40: Potential Military, Economic, and Scientific Accretions to the USSR Resulting from the Acquisition of Western Europe in the Foreseeable Future

Priority: Routine

Status: Scheduled by O/NE in late May 1951 (see Item 14, IAC-D-1, dated 1 November 1950). Referred for action to EIC in June 1951. EIC contribution has been received. A draft is being prepared in O/NE. Target date for draft to the IAC representatives: 15 September.

9. NIE-45: Probable Attitudes and Policies of the Free World toward the East-West Conflict

Priority: Routine

Status: At the IAC meetings on 14 and 24 April (IAC-M-67, para. 6, and IAC-M-68, para. 1), it was agreed that an estimate on this general subject would replace NIE-45, cancelled by the IAC. Terms of reference were prepared by ONI and submitted to O/NE on 5 May. On 13 May, O/NE circulated these with recommendations for modifications. All agencies concurred. Board action on revised terms of reference has been deferred pending progress on NIE-64 (Part II).

*Priorities used in decreasing order of urgency are: Crash, Urgent, High, Routine and Deferred

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10. NIE-47: Communist Intentions and Capabilities in Asia

Priority: Routine



11. NIE-56: Likelihood of Loss of Important Economic Resources of the Far East

Priority: Routine

Status: A series of estimates to cover this subject authorized by the IAC on 11 October at the request of C-2. Contributions to Part I (Economic) are being handled through the EIC. EIC contribution was received on 24 April. Subject to IAC approval, the Board of National Estimates, on 23 July, approved the production of several estimates covering specific areas in lieu of an omnibus estimate having several parts as previously planned. Staff draft will reach Board at end of August.

12. NIE-58: Relations Between the Chinese Communist Regime and the USSR: Their Present Character and Probable Future Courses

Priority: Routine

Status: A meeting of the IAC representatives has been scheduled for 18 August to discuss a draft of this estimate.

13. NIE-59: Relative Strategic Importance of East-West Trade to the Soviet Orbit and to the Rest of the World

Priority: Routine

Status: Initiated in response to NSC requirement. On 16 November, the project was referred to the EIC by the IAC representatives. Target date for EIC review of the final paper and presentation of O/NE has been moved to 21 August.

14. NIE-61: Consequences of Communist Control over the Indian Sub-continent

Priority: Routine

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Status: Authorized by the IAC on 20 December at the request of State. The IAC representatives met on 14 July. State's suggested revision received 29 July and has been circulated for Board consideration.

15. NIE-63: France's Prospective Ability to Play a Major Role in the Western Security System

Priority: Routine

Status: Authorized by the IAC on 13 March at the suggestion of the Board. IAC representatives met on terms of reference on 7 April. Awaiting State Contribution.

16. NIE-64
(Part I): Soviet Capabilities for General War, through Mid 1953

Priority: High

Status: Authorized by the IAC on 13 March at the suggestion of the Board. Target date: 1 September. Board concluded its review of Staff draft on 6 August. A meeting of the IAC representatives is projected for 25 August.

17. NIE-64
(Part II): Probable Soviet Bloc Courses of Action through Mid-1953

Priority: High

Status: Authorized by the IAC on 13 March at the suggestion of the Board of National Estimates. Target date 15 September. IAC representatives approved terms of reference on 2 May. Contributions have been received. A draft is being prepared in O/NE.

18. NIE-65: Soviet Bloc Capabilities, through 1957

Priority: Routine

Status: Authorized by the IAC on 13 March at the suggestion of the Board. IAC representatives approved terms of reference 6 June. Defense contribution due 26 September; OIR contribution due 17 October; and O/RR contribution due 31 October.

19. NIE-69: Probable Developments in French North Africa, Spanish Morocco, and Libya

Priority: High

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Status: Initiated by the Office of National Estimates and approved by the IAC on 24 April. A draft is being considered in O/NE. IAC agencies should receive draft about 15 August.

20. NIE-70: Conditions and Trends in Latin America Affecting US Security

Priority: Routine

Status: Initiated pursuant to paragraph 2f of Program of Estimates for the Remainder of 1952 circulated 5 May 1952 and IAC action on O/NE memorandum dated 29 April. Target date: 15 October (as revised by IAC on 24 July). Draft terms of reference were approved by the IAC representatives on 13 May. All contributions have been received. A draft is being prepared in O/NE. Target date for submission to agencies: 1 September.

21. NIE-71: Probable Outlook for Italy

Priority: Routine

Status: Initiated pursuant to paragraph 2d. of Program of Estimates for the Remainder of 1952 circulated 5 May 1952. Draft terms of reference were approved by the IAC representatives on 20 May. Contributions are due on 20 August.

22. NIE-72: Probable Developments in the Union of South Africa

Priority: Routine

Status: This estimate was projected in the Program of Estimates for the remainder of 1952. On 21 May the IAC concurred in scheduling the estimate. Target date: 1 September. IAC representatives approved terms of reference on 24 June. Contributions were all in by 29 July. A draft is being prepared in O/NE.

23. NIE-73: Conditions and Trends in the Middle East Affecting US Security (US Officials Only)

Priority: Routine

Status: The Board recommended to the IAC on 26 June the scheduling of this estimate. IAC concurred on 3 July, on which date the IAC representatives met on terms of reference. Contributions are due on 2 September.

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B. Scientific Intelligence Estimates

Except as otherwise noted, the following projects were initiated by CIA and approved by SIC for production.

24. Foreign Activities and Potential in Cloud Explosives

Estimated Date of Publication: August 1952

Status: Initiated by SIC in May 1951. CIA draft produced with assistance of SIC agencies, circulated to the interested SIC members on 14 July for comment and/or concurrence. The SIC members concurred in report 8 August 1952.

25. Status of Soviet Medical Research

Estimated Date of Publication: August 1952

Status: Concurred in by JMSIC on 1 August 1952

26. Status of Soviet Developments in the Field of Physics

Estimated Date of Publication: September 1952

Status: Contributions received from SIC agencies. First draft will be circulated to SIC members by end of August.

27. Status of Soviet BW Program

Estimated Date of Publication: August 1952

Status: Prepared in CIA on basis of contributions received from SIC agencies. Revised draft prepared by CIA, being coordinated in JBWIC.

28. Status of Soviet CW Program

Estimated Date of Publication: September 1952

Status: Preliminary draft not concurred in by JCWIC. Revised draft will be prepared on 1 September following receipt of new Army and Air Force data.

29. Status of Soviet Metallurgy Program

Estimated Date of Publication: November 1952

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Status: Terms of reference approved by the ad hoc committee on 1 November 1951. Contributions from SIC agencies are expected by 1 September. (The part of this paper which covers Powder Metallurgy requested by SIC in May 1951 was forwarded to SIC members 14 July.)

30. Development and Utilization of Science in the Soviet Union

Estimated Date of Publication: November 1952

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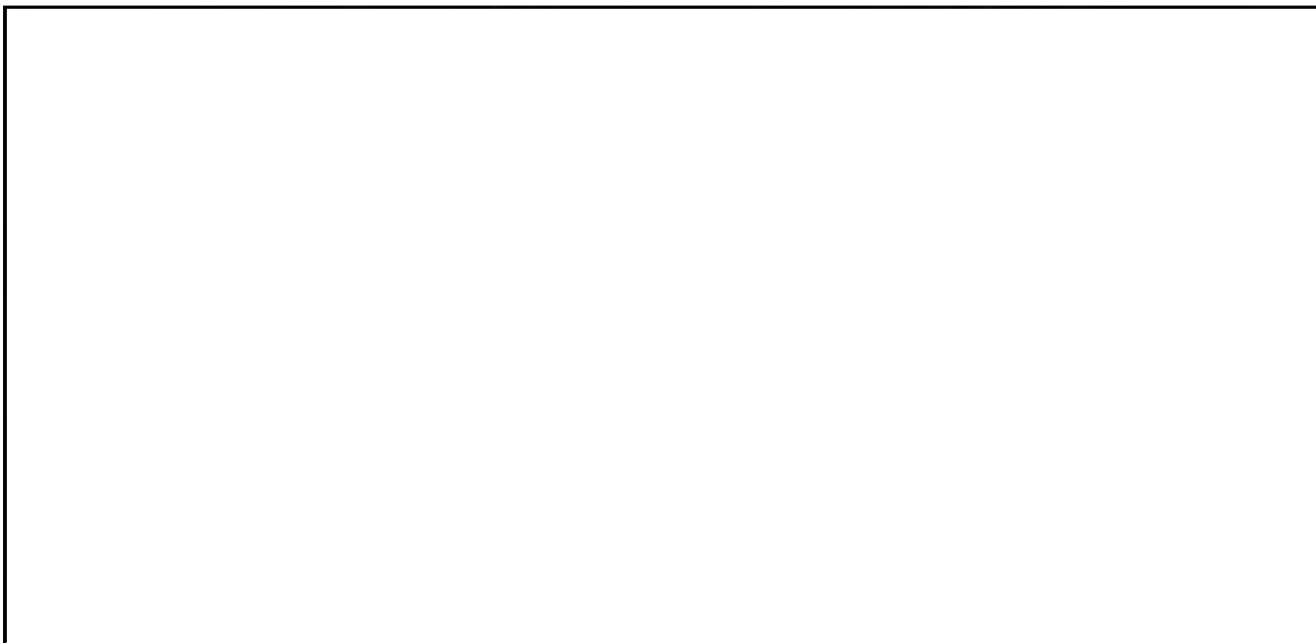
Status: Upon completion of the foregoing reports, CIA will write first draft for SIC consideration.



Economic Intelligence Estimates

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32. Economic Capabilities for War of the USSR and Its Satellites



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D. Other Items of Concern to the Committee

34. Paper Mills and Fabrication and Source Control
(IAC-M-66, M-77, D-54)

On 24 July the IAC approved recommendations (IAC-D-54) for the establishment of an interagency source control mechanism with each participating agency designating a single individual to cooperate with the Source Control Section, CIA.

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ADDENDUM

PROJECTS IN PROCESS

1. SIE-5 (Formerly NIE-60, Part I): Soviet Air Defense Capabilities 1952-1954

Status: Initiated by O/SI and approved by the IAC on 1 November 1951. IAC representatives' working group has finished a new draft which will be disseminated on 28 August. The Board, assisted by two scientific consultants, will meet with agency representatives during the week of 22 September.

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2. SIE-6 (Formerly NIE-60, Part III): Soviet Programs to Disperse Industry and Stockpile

Status: Requested by State and authorized by the IAC on 15 November 1951. IAC representatives approved terms of reference on 27 December. O/RR contribution has been received and is under review.

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